

## MINUTES

### NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS

**November 12, 2015**

#### Public Session

#### I **CALL TO ORDER**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board was called to order at 9:06 am in the Union Conference Room on the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) floor at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

PARTICIPANTS		PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
President	Richard Picatagi, LLA	(X)	( )	( )
Vice President	Obiora Agudosi, RA	(X)	( )	( )
Board Member	Diane Goté, CID	( )	( )	(X)
Board Member	Kishor Y Joshi, RA	(X)	( )	( )
Board Member	Arthur F Margiotta, RA	(X)	( )	( )
Board Member	Louis J Mraw	( )	( )	(X)
	Government Member			
Board Member	Nicholas J. Netta, RA	( )	( )	(X)
Board Member	Michael G. Soriano, RA	(X)	( )	( )
Board Member	Albert Zacccone, RA	(X)	( )	( )
Board Member	Architect Member			
Board Member	Landscape Architect Member			
Board Member	Vacant - Public Member			
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**OTHERS PRESENT:** B. Michelle Albertson, Deputy Attorney General; Charles Kirk, Acting Executive Director of the Board of Architects; and Margaret Hinkley, Secretary to Executive Director of the Board of Architects; Joseph Abello III and Beverly Rankin, of the Board of Architects.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Jeffrey King, RA

#### II **OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

The statement required by Chapter 231, public laws of 1975, the "Open Public Meetings Act," was read and it was announced that notice of this meeting was prepared in the office of the Board of Architects and mailed to the Secretary of State, the Newark *Star-Ledger*, the Trenton *Times*, the Camden *Courier-Post*, the *Record* and the Atlantic City *Press*.

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**III APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*October 8, 2015*

Editorial changes were made to pages 2 and 3.

**ACTION:** Mr. Zaccone motioned to approve of the minutes as amended. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**IV ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Zaccone informed the Board that NCARB Region II had a conference call last week however, there is nothing significant to report from that call. Also he and Acting Executive Director Kirk will have to leave today's meeting at 11 am to participate in an NCARB conference call today.

Mr. Picatagi informed the Board that as Director of Region I of CLARB, he will be attending a new member orientation that will be held next week in Reston, Virginia.

**V OLD BUSINESS**

A North Carolina - U.S. Supreme Court decision involving the powers of state boards  
At their July 2015 meeting, the Board was informed of the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision involving the powers of state boards. After some discussion, the Board unanimously voted to send a memo to the Director of Division of Consumer Affairs with their concerns regarding the US Supreme Court's decision.

**ACTION:** No response from the Division of Consumer Affairs.

B Correspondence

- 1 Copy of a July 20, 2015 letter from John A Casolaro concerning his eligibility to sit for Architectural Registration Examination (ARE). On September 10, 2015, subsequent to reviewing the information submitted, the Board unanimously voted to inform Mr. Casolaro that the Board will accept the 1.74 years of training from NCARB. However, New Jersey requires a total of three calendar years of experience and you will have to document the remaining 1.26 years of experience by providing a detailed explanation and documentation of your experience. On October 8<sup>th</sup>, the Board voted unanimously to table this letter until the next meeting for discussion.

11/12/2015 Response letter from John Casolaro is attached for Board review.

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**ACTION:** DAG Albertson informed the Board that a letter requesting more specific information from Mr. Casolaro as to his architectural experience was sent out October 26.

**VI NEW BUSINESS**

**A Landscape Architect Continuing Education Course review report**

**APPROVE**

SketchUp for Building Professionals offered by Half Moon - 7 hours

NJ ASLA Annual Meeting offered by NJ ASLA - 12 hours total (Day 1 is 3 hrs; Day 2 is 5 hrs and Day 3 is 4 hrs)

**ACTION:** Mr. Soriano motioned to approve the above courses as noted. Mr. Zaccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**B Correspondence**

- 1 Copy of an e-mail, dated October 8, 2015, from Kathy Hillegas, NCARB regarding the request for comments to the Proposed Modifications to the NCARB Education Standard.

**ACTION:** The Board determined to table this matter until the Board has had time to review and discuss this matter fully.

- 2 Copy of an e-mail, dated October 16, 2015, from Derek Haese regarding NCARB response to the Wall Street Journal article.

**ACTION:** Duly noted.

- 3 Copy of an e-mail, dated October 27, 2015, from Joel Albizo, Chief Executive Officer CLARB, a CLARB Communique concerning the FTC Issues Guidance on US Supreme Court Antitrust Decision Involving Regulatory Boards.

**ACTION:** Duly noted.

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- 4 Copy of an e-mail, dated October 30, 2015, from Kathy Hillegas, NCARB concerning the renaming of Intern Development Program (IDP) along with a memo from Mike Armstrong, Chief Executive Officer, NCARB.

**ACTION:** Mr. Zaccone motioned to inform NCARB that New Jersey is in favor of retaining the name Intern Development Program (IDP). Mr. Agusodi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

- 5 Copy of an e-mail, dated October 30, 2015, from Kathy Hillegas, NCARB, concerning Public Director on the NCARB Board of Directors along with a memo from the Public Member Task Force.

**ACTION:** Duly noted.

- 6 Copy of an e-mail, dated November 2, 2015, from Kathy Hillegas, NCARB along with the attached press release announcing that NCARB Unveils New Experience Areas for Aspiring Architects.

**ACTION:** Duly noted.

- 7 Copy of an e-mail from NCARB concerning Overhauled IDP Goes Into Effect June 2016. Also attached is IDP conversion map of 17 areas down to 6 areas as well as a list of all jurisdictions requirements.

**ACTION:** Duly noted.

- 8 Copy of an e-mail, dated November 4, 2015, from Jeff Kolakowski, NJ Builders Association, regarding an upcoming NJBA 2015 Building Code Update Seminar.

**ACTION:** The Board determined to send a letter informing Mr. Kolakowski that to receive credit for this seminar it must meet the requirements noted in N.J.A.C. 13:27-4A.3 which lists authorized providers.

C Information

Press Release from CLARB announcing NJ Landscape Architect, Richard Picatagi, elected as Regional Director of International Organization is attached for Board information.

**ACTION:** Duly noted.

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**D Reinstatement of license - Architects**

The following individuals have submitted reinstatement applications with the appropriate reinstatement fees and continuing education credits are submitted for approval.

- 1 Jeffrey King III - AI011702 - Exp. 7/2013 - 48 CE hrs required  
Summary: Mr. King failed to renew his license by July 31, 2013. Mr. King contacted the Board office and requested a reinstatement application. On October 8, the Board reviewed Mr. King's reinstatement application he checked "yes" to questions 10, 11, 12 and 13 which need to be reviewed in executive session. Subsequent to reviewing documentation, the Board unanimously voted to request Mr. King provide additional information to the Board.

11/12/2015 The requested information was submitted by Mr. King.

**ACTION:** Subsequent to reviewing the information in executive session, Mr. Zacccone motioned to reinstate Mr. King's application for reinstatement pending verification of receipt of his continuing education credits. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

- 2 Stuart M Narofsky - AI014110 - Exp. 7/1999  
Summary: Mr. Narofsky failed to renew his license by July 31, 1999. Mr. Narofsky contacted the Board office and requested a reinstatement application.

11/12/2015 On the reinstatement application he checked "yes" to **question 13** which needs to be reviewed in executive session .

**ACTION:** Subsequent to reviewing the information in executive session, Mr. Zacccone motioned to reinstate Mr. Narofsky's application for reinstatement pending verification of receipt of his continuing education credits. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**VII REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS**

**A. Applications for Licensure by Credentials**

The following individuals have applied for licensure by credentials, have met board requirements and are recommended for licensure:

\* - NCARB Council Record Holder

David D Neal\*  
John J Slattery\*  
Grieco, Caroline\*  
Dodd, Jonathan B\*  
Benjamin, James A\*  
Shannon W Williams\*  
Schmauk, David W Jr\*

Michele Kolb\*  
Ross Padluck\*  
Dungan, Jeffrey M\*  
Donohue, Joseph P\*  
Peter J Noone\*  
Scott D Stinard\*  
David J Varner\*

Anthony R Koehler\*  
Ronald Eng\*  
Tesch, Trent J\*  
Brummer, Jeffrey J\*  
Douglas A Kelso\*  
Brown, Louis D\*  
Scott M Loikits\*

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Scanlon, John R\*  
Arben Sela\*  
Roche, Ellen J

Matthew O'Malia\*  
Argiris, George T\*  
John Malone\*

Matthew Wittmer\*  
Joseph, Wendy E\*  
Matthew Lamont\*

**ACTION:** Mr. Margiotta motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure by credentials. Mr. Joshi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**B. Applications for Examination**

The following applicant/s applied for admission to the Architectural Registration Examination and are recommended by staff:

Agnes Glebus

Daniel J Governale

**ACTION:** Mr. Margiotta motioned to approve the above individual to take the Architectural Registration Examination. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**BOARD TO REVIEW**

Kevin M Wong+

+ - Information to be reviewed in Executive Session

**ACTION:** Subsequent to reviewing information in executive session, Mr. Soriano motioned to approve Mr. Wong to take the Architectural Registration Examination. Mr. Zacccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**C Licensure by Examination**

The following applicant/s have completed all Divisions of the Architectural Registration Examination and are submitted to the Board for licensure:

Christiano de Rezende Pereira

**ACTION:** Mr. Margiotta motioned to approve the above individuals for licensure inasmuch as they have complied with all requirements for licensure. Mr. Zacccone seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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**D Certificate/s of Authorization**

**V THREE STUDIOS, LLC**

**Architecture**

7321 Bruno Avenue  
St Louis MO 63117

Responsible Architect: Kurt R. Kerns - License #AI020061

Summary: This application for a Certificate of Authorization to offer architectural services only is submitted by a New Jersey licensed architect who owns 100% of the shares. This application appears to comply with statutory requirements.

**ACTION:** Mr. Margiotta motioned to approve the above firm for a Certificate of Authorization. Mr. Joshi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**VIII LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT APPLICATION REVIEW**

**A Initial Licensure by examination: LARE taken**

The following individuals submitted completed applications for licensure inasmuch they has already completed the Landscape Architect Registration Examination (LARE) and is recommended for licensure.

\* - CLARB Council Record Holder

Dwyer, Michael F.\*

McKellin, Sara\*

**ACTION:** Mr. Zacccone motioned to issue licenses to the above individuals inasmuch as they have completed the licensing process. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**BOARD TO REVIEW**

Wlodarczyk-Schwartz, Karolina\*

**ACTION:** Subsequent to reviewing the information submitted, Mr. Zacccone motioned to table this matter and staff will work with DAG to determine what additional information is needed before a determination can be made on her application. Mr. Soriano seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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**B Licensure without examination:**

The following individuals submit completed applications for licensure without examination and are recommended for licensure. \* - CLARB Council Record Holder

Alvarez, Leonardo\*  
Granniss, Daniel J.\*

Bleam, Gregg D\*

Cappellari, Brandon\*

**ACTION:** Mr. Zaccone motioned to license the above individual inasmuch as they have complied with the requirements for licensure. Mr. Joshi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**IX CLOSED CASES**

The Board closed the following cases at today's meeting:

1 ITEM NO. 105384 - SMITH, Darin - Unlicensed

**IX PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Jeffrey King, RA, was present to answer any questions the Board may have when they review his reinstatement application in executive session.

**X EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Zaccone motioned to go into executive session for the purposes of reviewing the minutes and other items in executive session. Mr. Agudosi seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**XI NEXT MEETINGS**

December 10, 2015	Regular Meeting	Union Room - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor
Investigative inquiry with the Architect pertaining to ITEM NO.106708		

January 14, 2016	Regular Meeting	Union Room - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor
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**XII ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2 pm.